

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A system for generating a playlist of a plurality of items,
said system comprising:

a playlist generator ~~that includes:~~ a selector ~~that is configured to select:~~

~~a plurality of items from~~ for selecting the items to form the playlist, a collection
of items of a user, ~~and~~ one or more new-items from one or more other sources of
items; and

a mixer that is configured to generate ~~a~~ the playlist based on the selections made by the
selector from the plurality of items and one or more new-items, ~~wherein~~ the selector is
configured to select the plurality of items and one or more new-items based on
preferences of the user, and

the collection of items of the user does not include the one or more new-items[[]],

wherein when generating the playlist, if the selector selects an item from a source other than the
collection of items of the user, the said item can be placed in the playlist and optionally
made part of the said collection of items.

Claim 2 (Cancelled).

Claim 3 (Original): The system of claim 1, further including a rendering device that is
configured to render the items identified in the playlist.

Claim 4 (Original): The system of claim 1, further including a purchase module that is configured to facilitate a selective purchase of each of the one or more new-items.

Claim 5 (Original): The system of claim 1, wherein the selector includes a memory that is configured to store identifications of previously selected new-items, and the one or more new-items exclude the previously selected new-items, based on the identifications.

Claim 6 (Original): The system of claim 1, further including a recommender module that is configured to create of subset of source items from the one or more other sources of items, based on one or more general preferences of the user, wherein the selector selects the one or more new-items from the subset of source items.

Claim 7 (Original): The system of claim 1, wherein the one or more other sources of items are accessible via an Internet access.

Claim 8 (Original): The system of claim 1, wherein the mixer is configured to allow the user to control a relative proportion of the new-items relative to the plurality of items from the collection of items.

Claim 9 (Original): The system of claim 1, wherein the selector is further configured to select the one or more new-items based on a popularity of each new-item of the one or more new-items.

Claim 10 (Cancelled).

Claim 11 (Currently amended): The system of claim ~~[[11]]~~10 further including a memory that is configured to store ancillary information associated with each new-item that is selectively added to the collection of items, to facilitate subsequent selections.

Claim 12 (Currently amended): A method of generating a playlist, comprising:
selecting a plurality items from a collection of items of a user ~~and/or, based on preferences of the user,~~
~~selecting~~ one or more new-items from one or more other sources of items, based on preferences of the user, and
combining the selected plurality of items and the one or more new-items, to provide therefrom the playlist,
wherein
the one or more new-items are exclusive of items in the collection of items of the user and may be used as part of the playlist and optionally become part of the said collection of items.

Claim 13 (Original): The method of claim 12, further including rendering the items of the playlist.

Claim 14 (Original): The method of claim 12, further including enabling a selective purchase of each of the one or more new-items.

Claim 15 (Original): The method of claim 12, further including storing identifications of previously selected new-items, and wherein the one or more new-items are exclusive of the previously selected new-items.

Claim 16 (Original): The method of claim 12, further including creating a subset of source-items from the other sources of items, based on one or more general preferences of the user, and wherein selecting the one or more new-items from the one or more other sources of items includes selecting the one or more new-items from the subset of source-items.

Claim 17 (Original): The method of claim 12, further including determining a preferred proportion of new-items relative to the plurality of items, and wherein combining the plurality of items and the one or more new-items to provide the playlist is based on the preferred proportion.

Claim 18 (Original): The method of claim 12, wherein selecting the one or more new-items is further based on a popularity of each new-item of the one or more new-items.

Claim 19 (Original): The method of claim 12, further including selectively adding each new-item of the one or more new-items to the collection of items.

Claim 20 (Original): The method of claim 19, further including storing ancillary information corresponding to each new-item that is selectively added to the collection of items to facilitate future selections.